

THE CHERUBS WIN ON THEIR MERITS.

Presented Wilkesbarre With a Richmond Straight-Cut.

SCRANTON WAS ALSO BEATEN.

The Two New Members of the Atlantic League Fared Badly in the Beginning—The Opening Day Generally Made an Occasion.

Standing of the Clubs.	P.	L.	W.	Pct.
Richmond, Pa.	1	0	1	100
Reading, Pa.	1	0	1	100
Paterson, N. J.	1	0	1	100
Newark, N. J.	1	0	1	100
Scranton, Pa.	1	0	1	100
Wilkesbarre, Pa.	1	0	1	100
LANCASTER, Pa.	1	0	1	100
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Yesterday's Games.

Wilkesbarre, 4; Richmond, 5.
Reading, 4; Lancaster, 6.
Paterson, 2; Scranton, 2.

Games To Day.

Richmond at Wilkesbarre.
Lancaster at Reading.
Allentown at Newark.
Scranton at Paterson.

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WILKESBARRE, Pa., April 27.—Special.—The game between Wilkesbarre and Richmond straight-cut at this afternoon, and won a contest on the merits of their work on the field.

A high wind prevailed throughout the contest which interfered with the fielding.

The opening game was made quite an important occasion, music, trick bicycling and a trolley parade being the features. There was a good crowd out, the paid admissions numbering exactly 1,547.

The game was a close one, the batting of the Barons and his wildness resulted in his undoing, while Chesbro was in wonderful form after the first two innings, when a combination of errors and bunched hits gave the Barons the lead. Chesbro drew his stock of curves from the refrigerator and froze the Barons with his icy men.

Richter via base on balls singles by Odell and Atherton and Steelman's wild throw, gave two runs in the fourth, while Chesbro's two-bagger and Halligan's single scored two more in the second.

Captain Wrigley with a base on balls and Dolan's double scored in the first for the Chubs. Dolan was hit by the ball in the fourth and Seybold's double followed. Wrigley saved life in the fifth on Clymer's wild throw. Shannon and Dolan hit safe, Seybold's out and Hess' single tied up the game.

In the ninth Wrigley saved first on a ranged decision by Henderson, third on Jimson's wild throw, scoring on Shannon's single.

Wilkesbarre had a great chance to win out in the last half of the ninth with two bases and two out, but Chesbro struck out Halligan. Dolan's work at short was the predominating feature of the contest. The score:

Players.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Wrigley, R. F.	3	1	2	1	0
Shannon, R. F.	1	2	0	0	0
Lylan, D. B.	1	2	2	0	0
Seybold, I. F.	2	2	0	0	0
Hess, J. B.	0	2	1	0	0
Hargrove, C. F.	0	2	2	0	0
Dolan, D. B.	0	2	2	0	0
Steelman, C. F.	0	0	1	1	0
Chesbro, P.	0	0	1	1	0
Totals	5	10	27	13	2

Players.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Goekel, I. B.	1	2	1	0	0
Halligan, R. F.	0	1	1	0	0
Richter, C. F.	1	0	1	0	0
O'Dell, I. F.	1	1	2	0	0
Atherton, D. B.	0	1	2	0	0
St. Louis, S. F.	0	1	2	0	0
Coughlin, D. B.	0	2	2	0	0
Gonding, C. F.	0	0	2	0	0
Jimson, P.	1	1	0	2	2
Totals	4	10	27	13	2

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